

Boston Children's Aid Society

1863-1913

"To provide temporary homes for children in the City of Boston and its vicinity, and also such other or further relief as may be advisable to rescue them from moral ruin," are the planks in the platform from which the Children's Aid Society has spoken to this community and to the country for fifty years.

Forty - Ninth
Annual Report

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FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOSTON CHILDREN'S AID
SOCIETY

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
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It is fifty years since the Boston Children's Aid Society began its work for unfortunate children, and in that time many changes have taken place in the manner of giving aid. Formerly, small institutions were maintained for this purpose, but now children are placed in good homes where natural influences for right living, which were wanting in their own homes, are supplied. This means much visiting by the Society's agents and careful adjusting, and a constant search for and supervision of the right kind of homes.

Since the establishment of the Juvenile Court many cases of the greatest difficulty are sent to us to provide for, and this has involved a large additional expense. Even in cases which are comparatively simple the cost of board has increased, and it is only by the generosity of our many donors that we can at all meet the demands made upon us.

Helping these dependent and friendless children is surely worth while, and again we come to you with our appeal for more money to meet the needs of the increased number who are asking for our help.

The General Secretary's report tells you about the kind of work we are doing, and the Treasurer's report shows clearly that we need your help more than ever before. Our thanks are gratefully given for all that has been done for us during the last year by gifts and words of encouragement, and the Directors and general staff look forward to the coming year with hope and confidence.

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The fundamentals of life surge about the child in its home, and here all social forces finally meet. The task of the efficient social agency is to do a preventive rescuing job for every child it can reach.

REPORT OF GENERAL SECRETARY

THE work of the Boston Children's Aid Society is to aid needy children of any age, race, color, or creed. For **Our objects. No** children who must be removed from their own **restrictions as to** homes, we provide efficient provision in carefully **sort of children** selected and supervised families. In all but a **we may help.** few of these families board is paid, but toward this expense parents and relatives are rarely able to contribute more than partial support. For other children we give supervision in their own homes, or in our home libraries.

That one child should be the object of abuse or neglect, or should be sick and in need of aid, or should be without advice and helpful counsel, is a tragedy. To tell, **1601 children** however, about many hundred such children **intimately** indicates a problem deserving of our every **reached during** attention, lest we become indifferent to the cry **year.** of human distress and need, and lest we cease our efforts for a better social order. Even this number of children does not represent all with whom we came in contact during the year, for many more were referred directly to other agencies, and five hundred and twenty-six were helpfully supervised in more than fifty of the Society's Home Libraries.

Co-operating with the social agencies in Boston and the State, we **Co-operation with** tried to do our part in the readjusting of the causa- **others in pre-** tive social wrongs present in families referred to **venting distress.** us, but of all that was done, this report can tell of only a few of the many needs we were called upon to meet.

One hundred and fifty children were referred to us during the year, either because they or their parents were sick.

Sick children. In most of these cases the sickness was due to something over which those afflicted had absolutely no control. The tragedy of sickness in the homes of the poor, with its impoverishing effects, and its destruction of opportunities, was made very clear in our work. In one family the sickness of the mother and the enforced temporary breaking up of the home has placed the father under a handicap which will last for years and perhaps mean a permanently lower standard of living for his children than would have been the case if he had been spared such an experience. It is necessary at this time for a society such as ours to do a great deal of this temporary alleviating work, but in view of the fact that so many of the causative forces in these cases of illness are purely economic, we must direct our energies toward their complete removal.

The frequency with which young girls who have had blasting and searing sex experiences are referred to us makes imperative some reference to the destructive city activities responsible for their plight. One of our most important services is in trying to start aright these children who have never enjoyed normal home or neighborhood opportunities. We need to remember that immorality in many cases is thrust upon those injured, escape not being possible until some harm has been done. In the process of helping children removed from their homes, we also worked for the changing of conditions which brought them to us.

Young girls blighted because of the homes and neighborhoods in which they lived.

In a hundred of the families we considered, living conditions, with reference to air, light, privacy, sanitary arrangements, etc., made normal life impossible, and helped to some extent to create the varied conditions we were called upon to relieve. The need of good housing as a basis of good home life, and as a force for the prevention of sickness and

The children who live in gloom. Bad housing as it affected our work.

delinquency, was made very clear in the working out of our own tasks.

Almost two hundred children were considered during the year whose one great need was careful guidance along vocational lines. It is evident to every observing person that this community suffers an immense social waste through the misdirected and inefficient work of its growing citizens. Many of these youths, because of poor direction and advice, or no advice at all, had determined upon activities that meant nothing but casual or irregular work, low wages, and often a taking of moral risks for which they were unfitted. The blind alley sort of job is too prevalent; work ending abruptly in a low maximum salary is a thing against which we must guard the young. The Society had an important service to render to these children in seeing that they were given the right advice as to how they should begin shaping up their futures. The vagrant and the homeless boy form no less a problem in this group than in the year before. We wish to register our strong approval of the plan which the Boston Placement Bureau is working out. A more careful directing of children along vocational lines will tend to prevent some of the problems now being presented to the children's societies.

Related to the vocational guidance problem is that of the prevalence of low wages in many of the families referred to us. In a rough study of one hundred families, we found seventy-five were not receiving a living wage, and by reason of this, delinquency had developed in the children of twenty-five, which we again were called upon to relieve. In these seventy-five families receiving less than a living wage, bad housing, lack of industrial efficiency, illness, and lack of education were additional factors. It was hard to tell in some which were primary and which were secondary causes, but certainly vocational guidance for the wage earners of these families fifteen or twenty years ago would have prevented a great deal of their present distress

The prison problem of this State was presented in one of its most serious aspects. Eighteen families came to us, whose fathers were in prison, and partly by reason of conditions arising out of this fact, their children were considered to be in need of our special care.

**Prisoners'
Children**

That the State in the process of betterment can remove strong, able-bodied men from its life and yet deliberately allow the ones dependent on them to suffer and often to deteriorate is a gross and sinister evil. All people of vision must approve the plan which will make productive and remunerative industries possible in the prisons of the State, so that the prisoners will continue to carry their burdens as parents with all that this means for their families and not be irreparably seared in the treatment process.

It was necessary for us to take certain of the children of these families because they were too undisciplined to remain with their mothers, the latter having lost their grip on these children because they had to work away from the home. Our efforts with other societies are in the direction of furthering a policy which will make it unnecessary for private charities to treat problems so originating.

The geographical sources of the applications made for these children calls for much careful consideration on the part of social students in Massachusetts. A study of these sources shows clearly how there drain into Boston the social problems of widely scattered communities, and emphasizes most strongly the interdependence of the cities and towns throughout the State. No stronger argument is needed than these facts for more extensive State-wide social service on the part of public and private agencies, and for increasingly careful case work with reference to every new problem received.

**Geographical
sources of appli-
cants. Boston's
burden.**

ARE THERE TOO MANY CHILD-PLACING SOCIETIES IN BOSTON?

With other societies we have worked on the principle that the

Increase in number of general children's societies during past twenty-five years. Probably more than in any other city in the world.

real needs of the community should determine the amount and the extent of our service, and that these needs should be met in the most efficient and economical way possible. As a result of propaganda work in which we participated there have appeared in Boston during the past twenty-five years a succession of general child caring and placing societies, each developing out of old-time congregate institution plants; the result being that today the city of Boston and vicinity has more efficient child-caring organizations on the family plan than any other community of its size in this country, perhaps in the world. Only recently this movement from institution to family home care was further augmented by the decision of the board of directors of the Church Home in South Boston to close their institution and try a placing-out experiment for two years.

The number and the general nature of functions has resulted in discussion of next best step.

expenses.

Even with present arrangements combined resources lag far behind needs.

Right here it should be clearly noted that the children's situation in Massachusetts calls for no lessening in the present expenditure of funds; adequate resources lag far behind real needs. But our expanding social programmes, however, may be financed in part through possible savings resulting from slightly different methods of work. Some of the changes suggested involve no radical innovations; others that do are here presented only that the general picture may be in mind and that by frank discussion there may be developed a plan which will mean a maximum of service to the community. These plans were broached tentatively at a meeting of some of the

directors and executive officers of a few of the Boston child-helping societies, held at the Twentieth Century Club in April, 1913.

Importance of having most of the children's societies in same building. I. In view of the fact that Boston has no adequate United Charities Building, and pending the day when such a civic center is erected, it is advisable to have all the important child-placing societies under one roof, either in an office building or in a group of remodeled private dwellings, working side by side. There would thus be offered opportunities for frequent conference, close hand observation of one another's methods of work, and the execution of needed changes. Scattered as we are today, it is difficult for us to keep the right perspective and to see our tasks in their proper relations.

Joint Application and Investigation Bureau could be the one important place to go to in behalf of needy children. II. A joint Application and Investigation Bureau to receive all applications for care coming to the several agencies participating in the charity center, and thus to remove from the collective mind of the community the confusion which at present exists, in spite of the Confidential Exchange, as to just which children's society shall be called upon to aid in any particular case. Under this plan any one in trouble about a child would apply to but one central office, rather than, as at present, to any one of six or seven. This bureau would upon careful inquiry refer each child in need of specific care and treatment to the society best equipped to meet the situation. Such centralization of work would tend to further decrease the number of applicants referred from one office to another, and would also make unnecessary the maintenance of separate investigating staffs by participating agencies.

Pooling of medical work. III. A Joint Medical Service Bureau for the examination by experienced physicians of all children coming to the respective societies. At the present time we are developing at considerable expense independent

**Joint Bureau
could do this for
all children's
societies.**

examining departments. This work cannot be done under existing arrangements at the general hospitals or dispensaries, because it means seeing well and sick children alike, and the sick alone tax present facilities. The work calls for an intimate knowl-

edge on the part of the physicians of just what child placing means, and this can best be brought about under the plan suggested. All of this work might well be done in one of the present hospitals or dispensaries because of their equipment, but at a time not to conflict with the general clinics, the expense involved to be met by the agencies interested.

**Joint Home-
Finding Bureau
could concentrate
on work of look-
ing up receiving
families.**

IV. A Joint Home-finding Bureau under the direction of a competently trained worker, this bureau to focus the task of finding good family homes for children in need. At the present time the different societies have available from fifteen hundred to two thousand more or less completely investigated families, which are willing to receive children under certain stipulated conditions. Between all of the societies, in spite of the friendly co-operation, there is much

duplication of work in this particular field. This arrangement would save many good homes which are now lost because no one individual agency has enough children to meet the various tastes and desires indicated by applying families. Miss Mabelle Blake, General Secretary of the Boston Society for the Care of Girls, has invited this society to consider working out such a plan, but nothing can as yet be done because of the distance between our respective offices.

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Board of Charity
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Such a pooling of efforts would make possible a better defining of the respective fields of work of the private children's societies and the State Board of Charity. The work of the latter for children looms large, and in its future development may possibly and properly include more of the tasks now performed by private agencies.

The changes suggested cannot come at once; present efficiencies and standards should not be endangered by **unwise haste.** This society is willing to co-operate when the right time comes in working out the above plans, and to change or modify its services according to future joint agreement. It shares with other societies the desire to do what is needed, without regard to organization or personal convenience.

UNMARRIED MOTHERS

Dr. Leffingwell's graphic picture of the unmarried mother. "Against the background of history, too prominent to escape the observance from which it shrinks, stands a figure, mute, mournful, and indescribably sad. It is a girl holding in her arms the blessing and burden of motherhood, but in whose face one finds no trace of maternal joy or pride. There is scarcely a great writer of fiction who has not somewhere introduced this figure into the shifting panorama of romance, appealing for pity to a world which never fails in compassion with imaginary woes: now it is Effie Deans in the Heart of Midlothian; now Fantine resting by the roadside, with Cosette in her arms; or Hester Prynne pressing little Pearl against the scarlet letter as she listens from the pillory to the sermon of Dr. Dimmesdale. Who is this woman, so pitiable yet so scorned? It is the mother of the illegitimate child. By forbidden paths she has attained the grace of maternity, but its glory is for her transfigured into a badge of unutterable shame."

With this prefacing statement from Dr. Leffingwell's book on illegitimacy, we again refer this year to the part we are playing in caring for the unmarried mothers of this community. The statement pictures strikingly the all too distant and removed sympathy of society and the difficult task of readjustment which confronts the unmarried mother.

Her needs continue to be one of our most pressing problems. One hundred and twenty-one such mothers and their children came for advice, direction, and care, a group whose lives are centers of untold tragedy and suffering. We can perform no more necessary service just now than in helping to work out with others a definite plan of treatment which will relate their needs in some helpful way to the life of the community. Bewildered, untrained, friendless, often sick, the procession of all ages never stops.

Working in close co-operation with other agencies it was possible for us to do much for some of these mothers. We were able to develop the interest of relatives and friends who originally knew nothing of the mother's plight. A few of the mentally defective, "the sick in mind," were helped to that protecting institutional care which is the only certain insurance against recurring lapses. Many more of the same group, however, are still unprovided for, because existing institutions are still insufficient to meet demands; and during this waiting period these mothers are returning with other illegitimate children, involving further increasing costs to the community. Court actions were instituted, which, if unsuccessful in some instances in fastening financial responsibilities upon the alleged fathers, at least helped to popularize the fact that in Massachusetts it is a dangerous thing for a man to beget an unmarried girl with child. Opportunities for work were made possible, often after rest and convalescent care had been provided in good family homes, and they were also given that personal support and encouragement so necessary under new and changed conditions of life. Little does society comprehend the number of such exiles from home and friends that there are about us.

A study of these mothers shows most clearly that our emphasis must be placed increasingly on the side of prevention. Too frequently has the problem been attacked as one of personal morality or immorality, when actually in most instances this is but one phase of a much larger problem. Education, better standards of living, better recreational

opportunities, better working conditions, and a wider knowledge of personal hygiene would have prevented in many of these cases conditions we were called upon to relieve. When the thinking citizens once realize the immense social cost involved in the misdirected and shattered lives of these mothers, and the colossal burden under which the illegitimate child struggles, there will no longer be denied to these unfortunates the complete and preventive attention for which they cry out.

The Boston Conference on illegitimacy is doing much. The Boston Conference on Illegitimacy, organized last winter by Mrs. Ada D. Sheffield, of the State Board of Charity, is doing much in bringing about on the part of all societies in any way treating such cases a more general understanding of their social significance. As one of the organizations vitally interested in this problem, we ask for such support from the community as will enable us to render to these unmarried mothers that intimate and individualized service so necessary if they are to be understood and helped.

CHILDREN IN OUR SPECIAL CARE

Four hundred and twenty-nine children provided with good family care. During the year four hundred and twenty-nine children were provided with good family homes through our Placing-Out Department. One hundred and eighty-one children were received for the first time, or an average of about fifteen children per month. Out of this total number there were two deaths. Of the two hundred and twenty-eight in care on October 1st, twenty-two boys and girls were receiving advanced education in Trade, High, or Normal Schools. The number of mother and baby cases, and those of children requiring expensive and long-continued physical care, increased. Many of the latter came during the spring and summer months. The majority of the children received were over twelve years and naturally meant more adjustment problems than if they had been younger. For the care of all these the Society spent over \$36,000, or 63 per cent of its total budget.

In many communities placing-out work consists all too frequently of wholesale and rather indiscriminate planting of children in families. Undoubtedly some children so placed do well, and later become clean, helpful citizens, but scientific care and training cannot be developed under such methods of work. Sharing with certain other societies in the State the need for rigid basic standards, we are trying to develop a technique which will mean wholly normal care for the children coming to us, although such may involve an increase in cost.

The supreme importance of family life for most children. Our great interest. The effective use of good family homes for the care of children, or placing-out work as it is popularly called, is a movement in which we are deeply interested. All children referred to us for care if not markedly delinquent or mentally defective are placed in private families, the selection of which is a matter for much careful study. The right home for a particular child is not always an easy thing to find, but usually can be found if the search is thoroughly made.

The conserving of family ties not followed by many children's agencies. A more costly service. When it is necessary for us to receive brothers and sisters from the same family, we almost invariably place them in the same foster home. Only in extreme instances is this relationship ever severed. In one case five little children, whose mother had deserted, were placed together. Following such a plan means added expense in some cases to the Society, for we might adopt the methods of some agencies in other States and place children in distant foster homes, thus making it possible to get free care for them. One family can hardly be expected to assume the burden of two or three children in toto, but two or three families may. When so many ties have already been broken with these children, it seems essential that the brother and sister contacts be retained at whatever cost.

It is our policy to conserve the relationship that exists between

Parents not prevented from visiting children by too distant placements.

by simply making

parents and children when such relationships will not be harmful. We prefer to place children where they may be easily reached by their parents, although such proximity of placement frequently involves greater expense than if the children were more distantly located. It is easy for a society to cause a parent really to desert his or her children as to preclude visiting.

It is not our policy to consider that a child must arbitrarily enter upon his working career on either his fourteenth or sixteenth birthday. The child and the community find benefit more in the end by a prolonging of the schooling and preliminary training period. The "bound boy" of a generation ago earned his way in a foster home long before his fourteenth year, but at how great a cost.

The supervising must be done by workers not overcrowded.

It is also the policy of this Society to limit the number of children to approximately forty to forty-five per visitor, so that the lives we are responsible for may be deeply helped. Fundamental work is not possible when one man or one woman, no matter how skilled, is asked to guide and direct a greater number.

SERVICE TO JUVENILE COURT

Our special family home work for the Boston Juvenile Court.

The special work rendered by our Placing-Out Department in finding and supervising families in this city, able and willing to give short-time detention care to certain children passing through the Boston Juvenile Court, continues to be a very important part of our programme. This gratuitous service is enabling the Boston Court to have certain delinquent children cared for more efficiently and less expensively than is being done in cities using the so-called congregate Detention Home. The only expense the Boston Court is under is that of board, which is paid directly by the Court to the families rendering this special service.

This plan should be extended to Greater Boston, thus enabling the whole city to enjoy the benefits of such a system. The Society is rendering this service in order that the community may be spared the great cost of a Detention Home, and that the children of the court may be spared the experiences incidental to staying in such an institution.

Should include greater Boston.
Why we do it.

It is hard to see how for the present at least this work can be taken over entirely by the court, for it calls for especially trained children's workers. If there is to be a reorganization of the Juvenile Courts in Greater Boston, some provision, however, should be made for having the centralized Court develop such a plan for finding and supervising Court family detention homes.

Is private task at this time. With reorganization of courts should be public task.

Only a lack of resources prevents this Society from extending this same help to all the courts in Greater Boston. At this time we are experimenting with a plan which is enabling us to subsidize certain excellent homes, which otherwise would be lost, since the returns in the way of board are irregular and for some families this is too uncertain a form of income to make adequate service to the court possible.

Present resources inadequate for larger field.

Our contacts with some of the Juvenile Courts in Boston and our general interest in the Juvenile Court problem makes a statement of our position at this time imperative. Massachusetts has a good Juvenile Court Law, but in only a few communities is it being really tried. Apparently many people suppose that by merely having such a law the fight against juvenile delinquency is practically won. No law, unless it is adequately and intelligently applied, can count for much in the matter of social welfare. Although our State law calls for intimate probation supervision, in but a few courts is this being rendered. There is all too much indifference on the part of intelligent citizens about the development of good pro-

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bation service. Such service costs money, — more money than we have spent so far, but it saves ultimately in the prevention of delinquency, with the resulting greater safety to property and persons.

The cry has gone up that there is more hoodlumism today than ever before. Those who know the development of Boston during the past fifty years can surely answer that there is less. There is, however, something which the Boston of fifty years ago did not have to face, and that is an urban situation of crowded and congested streets and houses, of inadequate play spaces, of maladjusted immigrants with their ignorance of American conditions, of changing ideals, of profound changes in home life, of increasingly exhausting occupations, and of the commercialization of vice and evil.

What we need to meet the present situation, which is a serious one, is not a return to the old punitive ways, but a consideration of causes, and determined, definite efforts for their removal. We need more accurate analyses of the evils of city life, and so far as the courts are concerned, we need more adequate, searching probation work. In the communities where good juvenile courts exist, courts which see to it that probation is a fact rather than a name, juvenile delinquency is not on the increase. The children brought into these courts have justice administered to them in no uncertain or superficial way. Repression and reactionary methods do not exist. Why, therefore, can this not be possible for all the cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth?

HOME LIBRARIES

The work of this department is to foster good wholesome home life through the placing of small collections of good books in the homes of children in congested and poor neighborhoods. Ten or more children under a child librarian and a volunteer visitor meet weekly in the librarian's home to exchange books, discuss their reading and other matters.

The home is the basis of all good social service. The spirit of true helpfulness must find its starting point here. He who touches people in the unfolding processes of their family life can best talk about social phenomena. Through the Home Libraries five hundred and twenty-six children were reached in this fundamental way during the year. Certain immediate gaps stand out as a result of the year's service, and for purposes of consideration and ultimate action are here presented.

Recreational needs. Motion pictures. Children being injured. Evil plays must be eliminated. The recreational conditions of this community need to be proclaimed from the housetops. The rapid increase of photo-play or motion picture houses in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth, and particularly in and about Boston, calls for much careful thought and planning if the good in them is to be held and the evil eliminated. In spite of frequent announcement that all plays are censored there is abundant evidence that each week sees many performances that tend to corrupt morals and lower the already too low standards of some neighborhoods. The children in the Home Libraries, young and old, tell of what they see and indicate clearly that they are harmed as well as helped by their visits. It is idle to talk about repressing photo-plays. They are here to stay, but surely those who work for children can be assured the elimination of the evil plays. In many families the "movie" counts as a large item in the weekly budget. Where the income does not permit frequent visits for the older children, the latter sometimes discover ways of getting money which finally bring them into the Juvenile Court. The evil plays are great temptations to these very children.

Rigid censorship of all plays needed. Notice should be made of good as well as bad houses. Every play or film should be censored by a State official, preferably through the office of Chief of the State Police. Little children should not be allowed in the houses after 8 P.M. unless accompanied by their parents. The supervision of the houses should include some consideration of the proprietors who drum up business by allowing cut rates for children during dull periods in the day. It should also

include a favorable noticing of the socialized proprietors who show only clean films and who are truly anxious to make their business a real force for good.

Every observing social worker sees evidence of the destructive tests which modern city conditions are applying to family life. More than ever does the city see the need for visitors who can advise and direct long before real crises come. We strongly urge more social workers of the visiting housekeeper type. One such worker with broad training will do more for the real uplift of families than many of the social surgeons who come at a later day for the dramatic and gloomy task of breaking up families for the saving of particular members. Home Library families in almost every instance represent hard-working wage earners, the sort not usually reached by charitable agencies, yet in many of them there are the seeds for later social evils.

The reading supervision this year involved bringing into the Libraries children under ten years of age. This was one of the plans announced in our last annual report, and the results indicate this to be an important step. More lasting impressions are made on the mind of a child at seven than later, and a love of good literature with all it implies is more readily inculcated at this age.

For the work accomplished and the opportunities made possible, the society is deeply indebted to the many volunteers who gave freely of their time and labor. Appreciation is also due Dr. David F. Lincoln for his service in reviewing most carefully many of the books added to the Libraries, and to Miss A. Marion Holmes, who helped for many weeks during the year in arranging material for the use of the supervisor and the volunteers.

During the year by special gift from one of the directors of the Society, it became possible for us to install for the

Research work. next year at least a research, or survey worker.
A fundamental step. In this way we expect to analyze and study some of the social maladjustments pictured so prominently in many of the families coming to us. We also purpose getting information covering the strong and weak points of our own work, to study the results of certain kinds of care, and to make this information available for others as well as for ourselves. It is certainly a necessary part of our problem that we should do some interpretive work for the community. Annual reports of social agencies will in time give more space to telling why they have to help their applicants as well as to how they help them. Society spends much energy on curing social distress, and almost nothing on preventing it.

The Society took an active part in the work of the Committee on the Protection of the Feeble-Minded of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.
Our interest in elimination of feeble-minded. One of our directors gave \$100 towards the expenses of preparing and distributing the bulletin called "The Menace of the Feeble-Minded." We again urge upon the General Court the importance of the plan proposed in this monograph. The elimination of feeble-mindedness is a definite and realizable problem, and is so intimately related to many forms of social distress that if it can be brought about a great contribution to the betterment of the race will have been made.

Careful medical work is one of the important features of our service to the children coming to us. During the
Careful medical work important feature of our work. A large item of expense. year we were able partially to complete arrangements whereby all children received for special care, and some who are not removed from their homes are to receive from our own physicians very thorough physical examinations. These are to be recorded on special forms. All defective conditions are to be treated. With certain cases of girls suffering from social diseases, these treatments will be given by one of our own physicians (a woman), thus saving the girls the experience of visiting a

public clinic for this purpose. All suspected mental defectives are being sent to the Psychopathic Hospital, whose splendid equipment makes important work in this connection possible. The general physical examination work for apparently well children cannot be done at this time at any of the hospitals or dispensaries and therefore becomes for us a new item of considerable expense in our own budget.

The resignation during the year of Dr. Mary F. Hobart from our staff of physicians was a matter of great regret to the Society. For years she gave most generously her time in the examination and treatment of many of our children, especially the older girls, and helped greatly in our work for them. Our deep appreciation for all this is here gratefully acknowledged.

The resignation during the year of two members of the staff calls for attention at this time. Miss Mary C. Jarrett, supervisor of the department of Advice, Assistance, and Probation, resigned in April to become head of the Social Service Department of the Psychopathic Hospital. Miss Adèle Fitzpatrick, now Mrs. Douglas Miller, supervisor of the Placing-Out Department, resigned in September to be married. Both of these workers rendered efficient service and aided greatly in developing the standards of the Society.

Because of their important bearing on our work, reference must be made to the passage by our General Court, during 1913, of the act for aiding mothers with dependent children, which is making possible a profound readjustment of our whole system of public outdoor relief; of the uniform child labor law; and of the act which makes it a crime for a man to beget a woman with child out of wedlock.

The workmen's compensation act must also be mentioned, for it has more than justified the arguments made in its behalf, and has transferred to the citizens of the Commonwealth as a whole the burdens which were formerly borne by the families of those injured or killed, and also by private charity.

In passing, special consideration must be given to the Social Welfare Committee of the General Court, inaugurated during the

year. This committee, in the high standard of intelligence of its chairman and its members, certainly equaled the record of any other committee that has ever sat at the State House. More than has yet been realized was it a great social safety valve for the people of the State. It was part of the Society's programme to assist in the passage of the legislation referred to.

FINANCES

Acknowledgment. Grateful acknowledgment is here made to the
Subscribers to subscribers to our general fund, for they largely
general fund have made possible our particular services for the
largely made needy children of this part of Massachusetts.
work possible.

Legacies from We also gratefully acknowledge the legacies
Miss Carrie F. of \$576.08 from the estate of Miss Carrie F.
Abbott, Miss Abbott; of \$2,000 from the estate of Miss Susan
Susan Smith, Smith; and of \$1,000 from the estate of Miss Ellen
Miss Ellen Sophia Brown, and the bequest of \$172.80 from
Sophia Brown. Miss Mehitable C. C. Wilson. These special
Bequest Miss gifts, with that of the anonymous donation of
Mehitable \$500 for our special work for certain unmarried
C. C. Wilson. mothers, helped materially in financing our general
Anonymous gift activities.
for unmarried
mothers.

The request of last year for special gifts and legacies to our endowment fund is renewed this year. We again urge
Our problems are intending donors to confer with us about our work
far reaching. In- for neglected and undisciplined children, for
creased support convalescent children, and for unmarried mothers
imperative. and their children. We also urge funds for the
extension of family visiting through our Home
Libraries.

Our budget still continues to be the second largest private children's society budget in the State. We follow the budget plan in our finances, the work for each year being planned in advance so that the directors and the staff may work consistently toward a certain goal, and also in order that our appeals for support may be made with the proper perspective in mind. It is our effort to capitalize the good will of this community, and in this process to make plain to as large a number of people as possible just what are the human needs we see.

The community gives generously for social betterment, yet general business and civic expenditures tower far above. The amounts given to the various charities in Boston while seemingly large are comparatively small, for other general expenditures in the community tower far above those made for the betterment of social conditions. With this in mind, we more earnestly ask for the help of those who will use us as their agents in bettering conditions of child life.

J. PRENTICE MURPHY.

VOLUNTEER VISITORS OF HOME LIBRARIES

OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO OCTOBER 1, 1913

Eugene L. Ach.	Edward S. Handy.
Miss Barbara Aldrich.	Miss Florence C. Hicks.
Miss Marion Andrews.	Miss Katherine A. Hodge.
Miss Clara Beetle.	Miss Mildred Hoopes.
Miss Lucy S. Bell.	David E. Judd.
Richard P. Bonney.	John M. Kingman.
Paul B. Boyd.	Miss Elise Kraft.
Miss Ruth Bradford.	Miss Mary B. Lee.
Miss Edith Brown.	Miss Clara M. Lieders.
Miss Ruth Burbank.	Miss Dorothy R. Martin.
Miss Margaret L. Burke.	Miss Mary A. McCarthy.
Mrs. J. H. Caldwell.	Stearns Morse.
Miss Helen F. Carleton.	Miss Lillian F. Nisbet.
Miss Gertrude C. Cate.	Miss Helen Paine.
Miss Louise Chapman.	Carl A. Perkins.
Miss Jean Christie.	Donald P. Perry.
Edward B. Collins.	Miss Ellen J. Peterson.
Miss Helen D. Crawford.	Miss Lucile P. Pike.
Miss Mildred E. Dimick.	Miss Minnie Riseman.
Miss Elizabeth P. Ela.	Miss Esther M. Robbins.
Miss Marian Flanders.	Miss Marian Small.
Miss Augusta Fox.	Miss Helen P. Smith.
Miss Dorothy Fox.	Miss Grace C. Stone.
Miss Constance P. Gill.	Miss Helen F. Taylor.
Miss Clara L. Gillis.	Miss Gertrude Townsend.
A. James de Gozzaldi.	Miss Katherine Warren.
Miss E. R. Griffin.	Graham T. Winslow.
	Miss May Worthington.

Volunteer Book Reviewer, Dr. D. F. Lincoln.

HOME LIBRARIES CENSUS

Day Libraries	34	Girls' Libraries	36
Evening Libraries	17	Boys' Libraries	12
	—	Girls and boys	3
Total number	51	Total number	51
New Libraries opened	10	Old Libraries closed	6
		Semiactive libraries	11

LOCATION OF LIBRARIES

North End	1	Dorchester	3
West End	28	South Boston	4
South End	1	Charlestown	1
Roxbury	8	Cambridgeport	1
East Cambridge	2	South Framingham	1
East Watertown	1		

CHILDREN ATTENDING LIBRARIES.....	538
VOLUNTEER VISITORS FOR YEAR.....	55
VOLUNTEER VISITORS ENLISTED DURING YEAR.....	46

Coming as follows from:

Simmons College.....	15	From Ranks of Home Libraries...	2
Harvard University.....	9	Central Congregational Church ..	1
Radeliffe College.....	7	Sewing Circle League.....	1
Wellesley College.....	7	South End House.....	1
Harvard St. Church, Cambridge..	2	Tufts College.....	1

Stamp Savings.....	\$212.97	Book Circulation.....	4,959
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HOME LIBRARIES

OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO OCTOBER 1, 1913

AFTERNOON LIBRARIES

Italiani Fideli.	The George Washington Home Library.
The Clean Home Library.	The Bunker Hill Club.
William E. Russell Club.	The Happy Hour Home Library.
The Riverside Social Club.	The Silver Bell.
The Pine Tree Home Library.	Girls' Favorite Club.
The Harding St. Social Club.	The Jolly Girls' Club.
The Busy Bees.	The Sunbeam Society.
Aliee Carey Home Library.	The Russian Folkdance Home Library.
The Twilights.	The Little Housekeepers' Book Club.
Roger Clapp Home Library.	The Eleven Golden Leaves Home
The Friends Home Library.	Library.
Ulysses S. Grant Home Library.	Little Daisy Home Library Club.
The Progressive Home Library.	The Rosebud Club.
The Cheerful Home Library.	The Sunbeams.
The Ward Street Girls' Club.	The Merry Youngsters.
The Little Violets.	The Merry Maids Home Library.
Agassiz Home Library.	The Mayflower.
U. S. Eagles Home Library.	

EVENING LIBRARIES

The Moonlight Club.	St. Patrick Home Library Club.
Knights of the Round Table.	The Good Readers.
Jackson Home Library.	The Liberty Boys' Club.
The Plymouth Home Library.	The Young Girls' Club.
The Paul Revere Home Library.	Do Right Club.
The Twentieth Century Library.	The Little Ten.
The Four Leaf Clover Home Library.	The American Home Association.
The Pansy Home Library.	The Peter Faneuil Home Library.
The Parkman Home Library.	

STATISTICAL SUMMARIES SHOWING YEAR'S WORK

DEPARTMENT OF ADVICE, ASSISTANCE, AND PROBATION

A

	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Children.</i>	<i>Boys.</i>	<i>Girls.</i>	<i>Unknown.</i>
Pending October 1, 1912	135	187	105	71	11
New problems	783	1,026	497	422	107
Old problems renewed	85	127	70	56	1
Totals	1,003	1,340	672	549	119

	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Children.</i>	<i>Boys.</i>	<i>Girls.</i>	<i>Unknown.</i>
Children under two years (in new and renewed problems)	175	192	83	77	32

These were dealt with as follows:

A. Withdrawn	176	243	135	86	22
B. Dealt with by Children's Aid Society	365	523	296	206	21
C. Other agencies recommended or applied to	415	515	207	235	73
D. Pending October 1, 1913	47	59	34	22	3
Totals	1,003	1,340	672	549	119

Problems under *B* were dealt with as follows:

	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Children.</i>	<i>Boys.</i>	<i>Girls.</i>	<i>Unknown.</i>
1. Advised { <i>a.</i> Advised only <i>b.</i> Involving use of other agencies <i>c.</i> Involving aid by a Department of this Society	183 20 16	255 29 21	138 16 7	110 11 11	7 2 3
2. Oversight by Society	28	36	18	12	6
3. Placed out in families by Society	118	182	117	62	3
Totals	365	523	296	206	21

B

RELIGION OF FAMILIES AND CHILDREN REPRESENTED IN APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DURING YEAR

	<i>Families.</i>	<i>Children.</i>	<i>Boys.</i>	<i>Girls.</i>	<i>Unknown.</i>
Protestant	369	464	252	197	15
Roman Catholic	280	356	174	148	34
Jewish	89	123	71	50	2
Unknown	130	210	89	64	57
Totals	868	1,153	586	459	108

C

SOURCES OF APPLICATION FOR CARE, RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR, INVOLVING 1,153 CHILDREN

MISCELLANEOUS GROUP

Applicants direct or through relatives or friends	204	
Newspaper adoption notices	36	
Churches	33	
Civic Agencies	27	
Settlements	20	
Mother and Baby Caring Societies	19	
Lawyers	18	
Totals	—	357

CHILDREN'S GROUP

Other Children's Agencies in Boston or elsewhere	91	
Boston Children's Aid Society Staff	71	
Totals	—	162

PUBLIC GROUP

Public Charities	78	
Juvenile Courts	45	
Schools	17	
Police	8	
Federal Government	3	
Totals	—	151

MEDICAL GROUP

Hospitals and Dispensaries	91	
Physicians	15	
Totals	—	106

FAMILY TREATMENT GROUP

Associated Charities and kindred Organizations	80	
Relief-giving Societies	12	
Totals	—	92

Grand total		868
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PLACING-OUT DEPARTMENT

OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO OCTOBER 1, 1913

Different children cared for in families within the year*	422	
Average number of children cared for in families throughout the year	247	
Children in families at beginning of year	226	
Children in families at close of year:		
Children at board in families	140	
In families free of expense to Society except for clothing	9	
In free homes, no charge to Society for board or clothing	34	
In families, earning wages	24	
In hospitals or other institutions or with relatives, temporarily or on trial	21	
	—	228
Graduates of Placing-out Agency who have returned to relatives, but are still under oversight		13

*Of this number 13 came for temporary care from co-operating agencies and are not entered elsewhere.

CENSUS OF CHILDREN IN THE CARE OF THE SOCIETY, OR
UNDER ITS OVERSIGHT, DURING THE YEAR
OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO OCTOBER 1, 1913

Under care in foster homes	422
Under supervision in families other than their own, or in hospitals or special institutions	115
Under supervision in Home Libraries	538
Helped through the Department of Advice, Assistance, and Probation (but not including those placed in foster homes)	526
Total for the year	1,601

SOURCES BY CITIES AND TOWNS OF ALL APPLICATIONS
RECEIVED DURING YEAR; INDICATING ROUGHLY
HOW THE SOCIAL PROBLEMS OF MASSA-
CHUSETTS AND NEW ENGLAND
DRAIN INTO BOSTON

<i>Towns.</i>	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Child'n.</i>	<i>Towns.</i>	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Child'n.</i>
Arlington	5	11	Haverhill	2	4
Attleboro	1	2	Holbrook	1	1
Ballardvale	1	3	Hyde Park	1	3
Beachmont	2	2	Intervale, N. H.	1	1
Beverly	3	5	Jamaica Plain	8	14
Boston*	462	510	Lawrence	3	3
Brattleboro, Vt.	2	3	Lexington	3	10
Bridgeport	1	1	Lowell	10	14
Brighton	1	1	Lynn	11	20
Brockton	5	5	Malden	18	27
Brookline	10	14	Manchester, N. H.	2	2
Cambridge	27	37	Mansfield	1	1
Charlestown	17	22	Maplewood	1	1
Chelsea	21	38	Marlboro	1	1
China, Me.	1	1	Mattapan	3	3
Chicago, Ill.	1	1	Maynard	2	2
Cotuit	1	1	Medford	7	19
Danvers	1	2	Melrose	5	8
Deerfield	1	1	Milford	3	12
Derby, Conn.	1	1	Natick	3	4
Dorchester	11	13	Needham	1	1
Douglas	1	1	Newburyport	1	1
Dracut	1	1	New Bedford	1	1
East Boston	13	27	Newfane, Vt.	1	1
East Dedham	1	1	Newton	4	4
Everett	17	20	Newton Centre	1	1
Fall River	2	2	New York, N. Y.	1	1
Falmouth	2	2	North Adams	1	4
Faneuil	1	1	North Attleboro	1	9
Forest Hills	1	1	North Orange	1	2
Franklin	2	2	North Wilmington	1	1
Hampden Falls, N. H.	1	2	Norfolk	1	1
Hartford, Conn.	1	1	Norwood	1	1

* It is certain that a great many entered under Boston should really come under some other city or town.

<i>Towns.</i>	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Child'n.</i>	<i>Towns.</i>	<i>Cases.</i>	<i>Child'n.</i>
Oak Bluffs	1	1	Stoughton	1	1
Onset	1	1	Swampscott	1	1
Orange	1	1	Taunton	2	2
Pawtucket, R. I.	1	1	Topsfield	1	1
Peabody	1	1	Trenton, N. J.	1	1
Petersham	1	1	Turner's Falls	1	1
Philadelphia, Pa.	3	3	Utica, N. Y.	1	1
Plymouth	2	2	Valley Forge	2	2
Portland, Me.	3	9	Waltham	5	9
Portsmouth, N. H.	1	1	Ware	1	1
Providence, R. I.	4	4	Watertown	3	3
Quincy	1	1	Waterville, Me.	2	5
Randolph	1	1	Waverley	2	2
Readville	1	2	Wayland	1	1
Revere	5	15	Wellesley	1	1
Rockland	3	6	Wellington	1	1
Roslindale	3	5	Westfield	1	1
Roxbury	27	49	Westminster	1	1
St. Mary's Ferry, N. B.	1	1	Weston	1	1
Salem	2	5	West Medford	1	1
Sandwich	1	1	Westwood	2	2
Saugus	1	1	Whitman	1	1
Solon, Me.	1	4	Williamstown	1	1
Somerville	21	43	Wilmington	1	1
South Boston	9	16	Winchester	3	3
South Medford	1	2	Winthrop	3	3
Springfield	1	1	Woburn	2	3
Stoneham	2	5	Worcester	6	6

GEOGRAPHICAL DIVISION OF TERRITORY AMONG CHILD-HELPING SOCIETIES

Last year, ten Children's Societies, of which the Boston Children's Aid Society was one, agreed on an informal, geographical division of the State, for the purpose of securing better and more extended Social Service for children.

The Boston Society for the Care of Girls, because its charter prevents it from caring for boys, is assigned no special section of the State. It will continue its present work of receiving applications for the care of girls from the eastern part of the State.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children will work in all parts of the State, as heretofore, where there are children's problems coming within its special functions. The Society, in its annual report, publishes a list of its many local branch offices, with the names of the administrative officers and committees.

ESSEX COUNTY, north of and including the towns of Ipswich, Boxford, and Haverhill, to be covered by the joint branch of the Haverhill Children's Aid Society and the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, 195 Main Street, Haverhill. Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude E. Merrill.

ESSEX COUNTY, including the towns of Methuen, Lawrence, Andover, and North Andover, to be covered by the Children's Department of the Lawrence City Mission, 206 Essex Street, Lawrence. Secretary, Clark Carter.

ESSEX COUNTY, southern portion, to be covered as follows: Cases of dependency, the New England Home for Little Wanderers, through its Boston office, 202 West Newton Street. Rev. Frederic H. Knight, Ph.D., Superintendent.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY, north of and including the towns of Somerville, Arlington, Belmont, Waverley, Watertown, Waltham, Lincoln, Concord, Maynard, and Stow, to be covered by the Boston Children's Aid Society.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY, south of the above-named towns, to be covered by the Boston Children's Mission, 279 Tremont Street. Parker B. Field, Superintendent.

NORFOLK COUNTY, north and west of the Midland Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, this line serving as a boundary, also to be covered by the Children's Mission. This Society will likewise cover the town of Milton.

NORFOLK COUNTY, south of the Midland Division of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, to be covered by the Boston Children's Friend Society, 48 Rutland Street. Carrington Howard, General Secretary.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY, north of the railroad line running through Kingston, Plympton, State Farm, and Norton, to be covered by the Boston Children's Friend Society.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY, including all towns not assigned to other societies, to be covered by the New England Home for Little Wanderers.

BRISTOL COUNTY, including the towns of Mansfield, Easton, and the portions of the towns of Norton, Taunton, and Raynham east and north of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, to be covered by the Children's Friend Society.

BRISTOL COUNTY, the remaining portions of the towns of Taunton and Raynham, to be covered by the New England Home for Little Wanderers.

BRISTOL COUNTY, the extreme southern portion around New Bedford, to be covered, so far as resources will permit, by the New Bedford Children's Aid Society, 12 Market Street. Miss Alice Fiske, Secretary.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY, including Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket, to be covered by the New England Home for Little Wanderers.

WORCESTER COUNTY, south of and including the towns of Harvard, Lancaster, Sterling, Princeton, Hubbardston, and Petersham, to be covered by the Worcester Children's Friend Society, Slater Building, Worcester. Miss Helen A. Woods, General Secretary.

WORCESTER COUNTY, north of the boundary line referred to, to be covered by the New England Home for Little Wanderers.

HAMPDEN COUNTY, to be covered by the Hampden County Children's Aid Association, 5 Court House Place, Springfield. O. G. Cash, Agent.

BERKSHIRE COUNTY, to be covered through the joint branch of the New England Home for Little Wanderers and the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Berkshire Life Building, Pittsfield. Frederic E. Greene, Agent.

THE SOCIETY'S METHODS OF WORK

For the benefit of those who desire to have a more detailed explanation
of the various steps taken in our daily work

INVESTIGATES cases of EXPOSED, DESTITUTE, and WAYWARD children, gives ADVICE and provides CARE AND OVERSIGHT, tending to secure radical and PERMANENT BENEFIT.

STUDIES questions relating to children. RECORDS EXPERIENCE, PROMOTES legislation, and encourages co-operative work between child-helping agencies.

THE CASES OF CHILDREN CONSIDERED are distributed as follows:

ADVISED
or enabled to remain under care
of parents or guardians by help
of

LEGAL INFORMATION.
FRIENDLY ENCOURAGEMENT.
PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS.
Valuable preventive work is
thus done for parents meaning
to do well, but too ignorant, dis-
couraged, and pressed for want
of time to see a way out of their
troubles.

TAKEN in charge by
CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY,
as best able to meet their needs,
and provided for through

PLACING-OUT DEPARTMENT
GRADUATE OR PROBATION CARE
HOME LIBRARIES.

OTHER provisions through
agencies well fitted or especially
adapted, such as

HOSPITALS for special care.
SOCIETIES for care of whole
families like Associated
Charities.
AGENCIES with national, re-
ligious, or disciplinary basis.
CITY OR STATE care.
PRIVATE oversight or guardian-
ship.

DEPARTMENT OF ADVICE, ASSISTANCE, AND PROBATION

It endeavors to maintain the position of a friend to all seeking advice and help. It carefully investigates every case, and aims to secure the best treatment for each child, while insisting on parental responsibility for support and the continuance of family relations whenever practicable.

It employs experienced agents, thoroughly informed on all available means for the protection and help of children, and each case is investigated, followed up, and fully recorded by the same person. This involves personal interviews with each child and parents or guardians, and information from many sources bearing on the surroundings, character, and financial possibilities of the family; and the history, moral and physical condition, employment, connections at church and school, of the child.

PLACING-OUT DEPARTMENT

Finds BOARDING and FREE HOMES in PRIVATE FAMILIES, chiefly in the country and the smaller cities and towns, for NEGLECTED and DESTITUTE CHILDREN and young WAYWARD GIRLS and BOYS. Thorough supervision.

A. INVESTIGATION OF FAMILIES

Applicants for children are asked in person or by letter the particulars in regard to their homes, the kind of child wanted, etc.

Confidential letters asking for the "rugged truth" sent to references given by applicant, and to others WHOSE NAMES HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN, such as Agents of Charitable Societies, Selectmen, School Committees, Physicians, Clergymen, people known to officers or friends of the Society, etc.

On their information is based the APPROVAL or DISAPPROVAL of the family, but all approvals are subject to reconsideration and reversal if facts justify.

B. TERMS ON WHICH CHILDREN ARE PLACED

\$3.00 per week and clothing for children under one year. \$2.50 per week and clothing for children over one year, until placed free. Free usually when about fourteen years of age. Wages when worth them, usually at fourteen to sixteen years. Children attend public schools always until fourteen and usually until sixteen, and, where advisable, afterwards. Special medical, disciplinary, or training cases are boarded at greater cost.

C. CONDITIONS ON WHICH CHILDREN ARE PLACED

Applicants must have some adequate means of support besides board of children. No other children are to be taken from public or private agencies. One child, as a rule, placed in a family; sometimes two, of the same sex, but very different ages; and brothers and sisters generally placed together.

Children must attend church and Sunday-school and public school if of suitable age. Eat at same table, and receive same care, discipline, and kindness as would children of the family.

Families to consider all information about children strictly confidential.

Responsibility of family for child's moral, religious, physical, and mental training constantly emphasized, also frequent consultation with visitor on the subject.

D. SUPERVISION

I. Visiting

Visitor accompanies child when placed, and thereafter sees the child when advisable.

Points covered in visits to children: food, clothing, sleeping arrangements, cleanliness, neatness, schooling, church attendance, reading, companions, amusements, punishments, training, adaptability of child to family, its happiness, special failings or habits, progress in study, work, and character.

II. Reports Required

Family reports every month. Statements required at regular intervals in regard to clothing, attendance, and progress at school, and wages.

Children, if old enough, write to visitor once a month.

GRADUATE AND PROBATION CARE

Gives PERSONAL SUPERVISION in the city to boys and girls returning from country families.

Juvenile offenders placed on probation by the courts.

Friendless boys and girls.

HOME LIBRARIES

Are placed in the HOMES of children in poor neighborhoods. TEN children under child librarian and volunteer visitor meet WEEKLY in the LIVING-ROOM of the librarian's family.

Their purpose is to encourage good reading, home amusements, and penny savings, and to foster a clean, wholesome, thrifty, and happy HOME LIFE.

Each library contains fifteen books in a neat bookcase. All books are carefully read in advance with special reference to their character, language, interest, and value, and strictly nonsectarian nature. Books are exchanged weekly, and children's opinions of books read and recorded. Sets of books are exchanged on an average every three months.

Savings are encouraged under the system of the STAMP SAVINGS SOCIETY. The visitors receive the money and urge a SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNT when a sufficient sum is collected.

Social games are taught, such as tend to promote cheerful family intercourse, strengthen the home ties, and encourage friendly relations between NEIGHBORS.

Excursions and visits to objects of interest under care of visitors.

TREASURER'S REPORT

I. TUCKER BURR, *Treasurer*, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BOSTON
CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO OCTOBER 1, 1913

Cash Balance (uninvested capital) \$4,097.76

RECEIPTS

Income from Invested Funds	\$9,737.39	
Ashton Trust	1,700.00	
Annuity Estate of Robert B. Brigham	1,000.00	
Contributions	22,641.66	
Donations for special children	1,065.60	\$36,144.65
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Relatives, parents, and guardians	8,151.40	
Overseers of the poor of cities and towns	2,754.71	
Charitable Societies	1,597.24	
Rent of Pine Farm	500.00	
Refunds and sundries	589.77	\$49,737.77
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Legacy Carrie F. Abbott		500.00
Interest of Legacy Estate Carrie F. Abbott		76.08
Legacy of Ella Sophia Brown		1,000.00
Legacy Susan Smith		2,000.00
Bequest Mehitabel C. C. Wilson		172.80
Sold 10,000 Ry. & Light Sec. Co. 3d series 5's, at 100	\$10,019.44	
Sold 500 United Fruit Co. 6% at 99 $\frac{13}{16}$	5,035.21	
Sold 10,000 St. L. & S. F. N. O. & T. 5's, at 95	9,500.00	24,554.65
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		\$82,139.06
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Total current expenses	\$57,325.77	
Total current receipts	49,737.77	
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Appropriation from unrestricted funds	\$7,588.00	

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of the Treasurer of the Boston Children's Aid Society, for the year ending September 30, 1913, and find that the securities are on hand as called for by the Investments, that the income has been accounted for, that vouchers are on hand for all disbursements, that the footings of the cash book are correct, and that the cash on hand has been verified by statements from the banks.

(Signed) RICHARD W. WRIGHT,
Certified Public Accountant.

BOSTON, MASS.

November 5, 1913.

EXPENSES.

Care of Children in Families:

Board	\$19,585.02	
Clothing	3,949.08	
Medical attendance	749.55	\$24,283.65

Salaries, General Secretary, Visitors, Special Agents,
Supervisors, etc.

\$22,595.54

Travel:

Placing and supervision of children in families	\$1,994.18	
Investigation of applications for care, etc.	1,109.48	
Stationery and supplies	335.49	
Postage	1,004.68	
Express	51.22	
Telegraph and telephone	1,101.58	
Printing annual report, circulars, forms, blanks, and general stationery	904.69	
Light, heat, and office care	676.40	
Office equipment	183.26	
Home libraries	348.83	
Advertising	257.93	
Sundries	547.49	
Pine Farm taxes and insurance	553.71	
Public accountant for auditing	70.00	
Office Library	72.70	
Payments to families receiving Military Aid through B. C. A. S.	333.64	
Tuition for children taking special training	299.77	
Fees	90.00	
Donation to Social Service Library	100.00	
Christmas presents to children	16.28	
Donation to Mass. S. P. C. C. acct. Committee on Pro- tection of Feeble-minded, per Miss Anna P. Jackson	100.00	
Settlement of Est. Alice A. Rolland through B. C. A. S. .	295.25	\$10,446.58
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		\$57,325.77

Bought 5,000 Public Service Co. of No. Ill. 5's, at 97. .	\$4,880.56	
Bought 5,000 Public Service Co. of No. Ill. 5's, at 96½	4,902.08	
Bought 5,000 United Fruit Co. 6% notes at 98½	4,930.00	
Bought 7,000 Louisville Gas & Elec. Co. 6's, at 99¼ . .	6,990.08	
Balance October 1, 1913 (uninvested capital)	3,110.57	\$24,813.29
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		\$82,139.06

SPECIAL BENEFACTORS AND DONORS OF THE SOCIETY SINCE ITS FOUNDATION

The present endowment should be increased. The Society is in need of a larger and more dependable income, so that it can forge ahead with certainty into its necessary fields of labor.

The complexity of modern life presents an array of problems awaiting solution which can only be met by extended and expert service, and such service calls for funds. Bequests and gifts will be most carefully supervised, and specific requests and directions faithfully observed.

Since the foundation of the Society many legacies and special gifts have come from friends, — their names appear below, — who have taken this means of helping needy children. Grateful acknowledgment is here made of their assistance.

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| <p>1868. Charles G. Loring.
 1870. Abigail Loring.
 1870. Nabby Joy.
 1870. Robert Waterston.
 1873. Miss C. L. Dennison (gift).
 1875. Shaw Trust for Girls.
 1875. Shaw Trust for Boys.
 1875. Seth Adams.
 1877. Augustus Hemenway.
 1877. George Bemis.
 1878. T. D. Quincy.
 1878. Benjamin Sewall.
 1879. Miss C. L. Dennison (gift).
 1889. Sidney Bartlett.
 1889. Elisha T. Loring.
 1890. Elizabeth S. Norton.
 1892. Susan Sturgis Parkman
 (Gift of Mrs. Henry P. Sturgis).
 1893. E. L. Billings.
 1893. Mrs. Mary Hemenway (gift).
 1893. Miss Emily H. Bourne (gift).
 1894. Mrs. E. T. Eldredge (gift).
 1895. Miss Mary Anne Wales.
 1895. Arthur Rotch.
 1896. Moses Kimball.
 1896. Albert Glover.
 1896. B. P. Cheney.
 1896. Martin Brimmer.
 1896. Thomas T. Wyman.
 1896. Mrs. E. T. Eldredge.
 1897. John W. and Belinda L. Randall,
 per trustees.
 1898. Henry L. Pierce.
 1898. J. Putnam Bradlee.
 1899. Mrs. W. Scott Fitz (gift).
 1900. Daniel S. Ford.</p> | <p>1901. Henry Saltonstall.
 1901. Frances M. McKay, per Henry
 B. and Amelia R. Goodwin,
 executors.
 1901. Miss Helen M. Parsons, estate of
 per Miss Anna Q. T. Parsons.
 1902. Mrs. Wm. R. (Maria G.) Wilson.
 1902. Edward I. Browne.
 1902. Joseph B. Glover.
 1904. Robert Charles Billings Fund,
 per Thomas Minns, executor.
 1904. Joseph H. Centre
 1905. Richard W. Foster.
 1905. John C. Chaffin.
 1907. Mrs. Eliza James Draper.
 1907. Charles E. French.
 1907. James D. Lincoln.
 1908. John C. Haynes.
 1908. Mrs. Shepherd Brooks (gift).
 1908. Mrs. W. Scott Fitz (gift).
 1909. Miss Anna P. Jackson (gift in
 memory of Edward and Ellen
 Jackson).
 1910. Trustees of Mellen Bray Estate.
 1910. Mrs. Shepherd Brooks (gift).
 1910. Heirs of Henry S. Grew.
 1910. Estate of William Litchfield.
 1911. Estate of Sarah E. Read.
 1911. Miss Elizabeth B. Lothrop.
 1912. Trustees under will of Andrew
 C. Slater.
 1913. Carrie F. Abbott.
 1913. Ellen Sophia Brown.
 1913. Miss Susan Smith.
 1913. Mehitable C. C. Wilson.</p> |
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LONGING FOR A CHANCE

GRATEFUL acknowledgment is made to our generous contributors for their help in giving hundreds of children the chance which they so rightfully long for.

In striving for more efficient service we must also increase our resources. New givers are especially desired.

The Society is solely dependent upon private aid. Legacies are earnestly requested.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO OCTOBER 1, 1913

A			
Abbott, Mrs. Charles E.	\$2 00	"Anonymous," June 4, 1913.	\$10 00
Abbott, Mrs. Gordon.	15 00	"Anonymous," June 10, 1913.	10 00
Abbott, Holker.	1 00	"Anonymous," June 19, 1913.	5 00
Abbott, Mrs. P. W.	5 00	"Anonymous," June 19, 1913.	2 00
Achorn, Mrs. E. O.	2 00	"Anonymous," June 19, 1913.	1 00
A. C. L. Fund, through Miss Eliza- beth Cabot Putnam, Trustee.	20 00	"Anonymous," August 12, 1913.	10 00
Adams, Mrs. B. F.	6 50	Anthony, Mrs. S. Reed.	5 00
Adams, Edward B.	10 00	Armstrong, Mrs. G. E.	10 00
Agassiz, Mrs. George R.	25 00	Arnold, Joseph.	1 00
Aiken, Mrs. Walter.	5 00	Atkinson, Edward W.	5 00
Alden, H. Bingley.	2 00	Atkinson, George, Jr.	10 00
Alford, Miss Martha A.	10 00	Ayer, Charles F.	10 00
Alford, Mrs. Orlando H.	10 00	B	
Allan, Mrs. Bryce J.	10 00	Bacon, Miss E. S.	10 00
Allen, Mrs. Rollin H.	5 00	Bacon, Joseph W.	1 00
Allen, Mrs. Thomas.	10 00	Bacon, Louis.	5 00
Almy, William & Co.	10 00	Baer, Louis.	20 00
Ames, Mrs. F. Lothrop.	25 00	Baker, Hon. Harvey H.	35 00
Ames, Miss Harriet S.	3 00	Baker, Hon. Harvey H., in mem- ory of Mrs. Elizabeth H. Tuttle	5 00
Ames, Mrs. J. B.	20 00	Balch, Miss Agnes G.	5 00
Ames, John S.	10 00	Balch, Miss Emily G.	5 00
Ames, Miss Mary S.	25 00	Baldwin, Alvi S.	5 00
Ames, Mrs. William H.	25 00	Baldwin, Mrs. C. H.	5 00
Amory, Mrs. C. W.	10 00	Baldwin, Mrs. J. C. T.	8 00
Amory, F. I.	15 00	Bancroft, Mrs. C. F.	5 00
Amory, Ingersoll.	10 00	Bangs, Mrs. Francis R.	30 00
Amory, Miss Mary J.	4 00	Barbour, Edmund D.	5 00
Amory, Mrs. Robert.	10 00	Barker, Miss S. R.	7 00
Andrews, Mrs. Arthur R.	2 00	Barnes, Charles B.	5 00
Andrews, Miss Mary T.	20 00	Barnes, Henry K.	5 00
Andrews, Miss Sarah G.	10 00	Barnet, Mrs. S. J.	2 00
Angier, Albert E.	75 00	Barron, C. W.	15 00
"Anonymous," November 8, 1912	12 00	Barstow, Miss Annie D.	5 00
"Anonymous," November 29, 1912	1 00	Bartlett, Miss Fannie.	20 00
"Anonymous," November 29, 1912	1 00	Bartlett, Francis.	25 00
"Anonymous," November 29, 1912	1 00	Bartlett, Mrs. John S.	5 00
"Anonymous," November 27, 1912	2 00	Bartlett, Mrs. Stephen L.	100 00
"Anonymous," November 27, 1912	1 00	Bartol, Mrs. John W.	25 00
"Anonymous," November 27, 1912	5 70	Bassett, J. P.	2 00
"Anonymous," January 3, 1913.	15 00	Bates, David.	2 00
"Anonymous," January 3, 1913.	20 00	Batt, Charles R.	10 00
"Anonymous," January 11, 1913.	500.00	Beach, Mrs. E. H.	10 00
"Anonymous from Friends," Jan- uary 20, 1913.	150 00	Beach, Mrs. John P.	50 00
"Anonymous," April 24, 1913.	10 00	Beal, Boylston A.	10 00
"Anonymous," May 17, 1913.	3 00	Beal, Mrs. Boylston A.	10 00
		Beal, Mrs. James H.	15 00

Contributions since October 1, 1913, not included

Carret, Mrs. J. F.	\$2 00	Colver, Mrs. Leon L.	\$5 00
Carrick, D. Allison	5 00	Comstock, Mrs. N. B.	1 00
Carroll, Mrs. Arthur.	2 00	Conrad, Sidney S.	10 00
Carter, Fred. L.	5 00	Converse, Costello C.	500 00
Carter, Herbert L.	10 00	Converse, Mrs. C. C.	50 00
Carter, Mrs. John W.	50 00	Cooledge, Miss Matilda G.	20 00
Carter, Miss Nellie P.	100 00	Coolidge, Mrs. Algernon, Jr.	10 00
Carter, Miss Nellie P., in memory of Miss M. Elizabeth Carter.	50 00	Coolidge, Archibald C.	10 00
Carter Rice & Co. Inc.	10 00	Coolidge, Harold J.	20 00
Carter, Richard B.	25 00	Coolidge, J. Randolph.	10 00
Cary, Mrs. Edward M.	400 00	Coolidge, Julian L.	120 00
Cary, Miss G. S.	10 00	Corey, Mrs. Alonzo W.	2 00
Caryl, Miss Harriet E.	1 00	Cotting, Miss Alice.	5 00
"Cash," April 25, 1913.	10 00	Cotting, C. E.	10 00
"Cash," June 19, 1913.	1 00	Cotting, Francis J.	2 00
Chandler, Mrs. F. W.	10 00	Covel, Mrs. A. S.	1 00
Channing, Miss Ellen.	2 00	Crane, H. G.	10 00
Channing, Dr. Walter.	5 00	Crane, Hon. Winthrop Murray.	25 00
Chapin, Mrs. Arthur B.	5 00	Crocker, Miss Matilda H.	2 00
Chase & Sanborn.	25 00	Crosby, Miss A. C.	5 00
Cheever, Miss Alice.	25 00	Cummings, Mrs. Charles A.	20 00
Cheever, Mrs. David.	5 00	Cummings, Mrs. Charles K.	25 00
Cheever, Dr. David W.	10 00	Cunningham, Miss Constance.	10 00
Cheever, Mrs. David W.	25 00	Cunningham, Frederick H.	5 00
Cheever, Miss Helen.	25 00	Cunningham, Miss Hester.	10 00
Cheney, Mrs. Arthur.	50 00	Currier, Mrs. Benjamin W.	5 00
Cheney, Miss Caroline F.	5 00	Curtis, Mrs. Charles P.	20 00
Chesterton, A. W. Co.	5 00	Curtis, Miss Ellen.	1 00
"C. H. T."	25 00	Curtis, Mrs. Francis Gardner.	10 00
Clapp, Mrs. Channing.	3 00	Curtis, Mrs. Greely S.	20 00
Clapp, Mrs. Howard.	5 00	Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Horatio G.	25 00
Clapp, James H.	1 00	Curtis, Mrs. James F.	5 00
Clark, Mrs. B. Preston.	10 00	Curtis, Mrs. John S.	10 00
Clark, Mrs. Frederic Simmons.	10 00	Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Louis.	20 00
Clark, Mrs. Henry.	50 00	Cushing, Grafton D.	10 00
Clark, Herbert.	2 00	Cutler, Miss Anna W.	3 00
Clark, Mr. and Mrs. John Dudley.	25 00	Cutler, Frederic F.	10 00
Clark, Mrs. John T.	5 00	Cutter, Mrs. Abraham E.	5 00
Clark, Dr. J. Payson.	5 00	Cutter, Dr. George W.	2 00
Clark, Mrs. Louis M.	5 00		
Clark, William Edwin.	1 00	D	
"C. L. H."	2 00	Dabney, Miss O. F.	4 00
Clarke, Miss M. A.	5 00	Dale, Mrs. Eben.	5 00
Clementson, Sidney.	20 00	Dalton, Mrs. Charles H.	10 00
Coale, Mrs. George O. G.	10 00	Dalton, Henry Rogers.	5 00
Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kane	5 00	Damon, George E. Co.	5 00
Cobb, Melville L.	10 00	Dane, Ernest B.	100 00
Cochrane, Alexander.	100 00	Dane, Dr. and Mrs. John.	20 00
Codman, Miss Catherine Amory.	5 00	Danforth, Mrs. Allen.	25 00
Codman, Charles R.	30 00	Daniels, Mrs. Edwin A.	3 00
Coe, Herbert R.	5 00	Davenport, Edward M.	5 00
Cole, Mrs. Rufus.	5 00	Davis, Andrew McF.	10 00
Collamore, Miss Helen.	20 00	Davis, George P.	1 00
Collateral Loan Company.	5 00	Davis, Harold S.	5 00
Collins, Charles Appleton.	5 00	Davis, Mrs. Simon.	2 00
		Day, Frank A.	25 00

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Day, H. B.	\$20 00
"D. B. F."	10 00
Dean, Charles A.	25 00
Deane, Robert W.	1 00
Deland, Mrs. Lorin.	3 00
Denny, Mrs. Arthur B.	5 00
Denny, Francis P., M.D.	5 00
Denny, Miss Mary G.	3 00
de Wolfe, Miss M. H.	2 00
Dexter, Mrs. Morton.	5 00
Dexter, Miss Rose L.	10 00
Dixon, Dr. Lewis S.	5 00
Dodge, Hon. Frederic.	25 00
Dodge, George A. W.	5 00
Dodge, Mrs. Robert G.	5 00
Dole, Rev. and Mrs. Charles F.	25 00
Donald, Mrs. William A.	10 00
Doten, Mrs. Carroll W.	10 00
Dove, Mrs. G. W. W.	5 00
Downing, Miss Agnes F.	75 00
Draper, Wallace S.	5 00
Dresel, Miss Louisa L.	10 00
Dreyfus, Carl.	10 00
Dreyfus, Jacob.	5 00
Drown, Prof. Edward S.	2 00
Drown, Mrs. Edward S.	6 00
Dunbar, James R.	5 00
Duncan, Mrs. Samuel W.	12 00
Dunham, Mrs. Carroll.	5 00
Dutton, Benjamin F.	10 00
Dutton, Harry.	10 00
Dwight, Miss McG.	33 32
Dwinell, Mrs. F. T.	2 00

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Earle, Walter F.	15 00
Eaton, Charles S.	10 00
Eaton, Francis S.	20 00
Eaton, Miss Mary J.	50 00
Eisemann, Julius.	10 00
Eisemann, Mrs. Nathan.	2 00
Elder, Samuel J.	25 00
Eliot, Amory.	10 00
Elliot, Mrs. John W.	5 00
Ellis, George H. Co.	25 00
Ellis, Miss M. F.	20 00
Emerson, Elliot S.	5 00
Emery, Miss Georgiana.	10 00
Emmons, Mrs. R. W. 2d.	10 00
Endicott, William.	50 00
Ensign, Mrs. Charles S., Jr.	5 00
Entertainment: Graduates of Miss Winsor's School, through Miss Dorothy Forbes.	510 75
Ernst, Mrs. Harold C.	10 00
Ernst, Roger.	10 00

"E. S. C."	\$10 00
Estabrook, Mr. and Mrs. J. W.	5 00
Esty, Clarence H.	5 00
Eustis, Augustus Hemenway.	50 00
Eustis, Mr. and Mrs. F. A.	25 00
Eustis, the Misses.	5 00

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Fairbanks, Charles F.	10 00
Fales, Herbert E.	5 00
Farnsworth, Miss Alice.	5 00
Farnsworth, Mrs. William.	10 00
Faulkner, Miss Fanny M.	10 00
Fay, Arthur and J. H.	10 00
Fay, Miss Elizabeth B.	5 00
Fay, Miss Rosamond.	20 00
Fay, Miss Sarah M.	10 00
Fay, Mrs. William P.	5 00
Fegan, Mrs. W. J.	3 00
Fenno, Edward N., Jr.	10 00
Fenno, Mrs. Lawrence Carteret.	25 00
Fessenden, Russell G.	15 00
Fields, Mrs. James T.	5 00
Finlay, Albert W.	5 00
Fisher, Mrs. Richard.	10 00
Fiske, George M.	5 00
Fitz, Mrs. W. Scott.	200 00
FitzGerald, Desmond.	5 00
FitzGerald, Mrs. Desmond.	5 00
Fitzpatrick, Mrs. James H.	2 00
Fitzpatrick, T. M.	5 00
Fitzpatrick, Thomas B.	5 00
Flagg, Dr. Elisha.	5 00
Foote, Arthur.	3 00
Forbes, Alexander.	10 00
Forbes, Edward D.	5 00
Forbes, Mrs. Francis B.	10 00
Forbes, J. Murray.	10 00
Forbes, Mrs. Ralph E.	10 00
Forbes, Mrs. Waldo E.	10 00
Foster, Mrs. Alfred Dwight.	5 00
Foster, Francis A. & Co. Inc.	10 00
Foster, Francis C.	10 00
Fowle, Seth A.	2 00
Freeman, Mrs. H. H.	4 00
French, Miss Cornelia A.	20 00
French, John and David.	20 00
Friedman, Lee M.	10 00
Friedman, Mrs. Max.	5 00
"A Friend," November 27, 1912.	5 00
"A Friend," December 24, 1912.	10 00
"A Friend," January 7, 1913.	100 00
"A Friend," January 21, 1913 (through Miss Anna P. Jackson)	5 00
"A Friend," February 21, 1913.	10 00
"A Friend," March 4, 1913.	100 00

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"A Friend," April 28, 1913 (through Miss Mary S. Doran)...	\$1 00
"A Friend," June 18, 1913	5 00
"A Friend," June 19, 1913.....	1 00
"A Friend," June 20, 1913.....	1 00
"A Friend," July 3, 1913.....	1 00
"A Friend," July 11, 1913.....	5 00
"A Friend," July 16, 1913.....	10 00
"A Friend," July 23, 1913.....	5 00
"A Friend," July 31, 1913	1 00
"A Friend," August 11, 1913.....	10 00
"A Friend," August 11, 1913.....	10 00
"A Friend," August 16, 1913.....	5 00
"A Friend," August 30, 1913.....	1 00
"A Friend," September 5, 1913....	20 00
"A Friend," September 5, 1913....	10 00
"A Friend," September 13, 1913...	5 00
"A Friend," September 15, 1913...	1 00
"A Friend," September 29, 1913...	10 00
Frothingham, Mrs. Edward.....	10 00
Frothingham, Miss Eugenia B.	10 00
Frothingham, Mrs. Langdon.....	5 00
Fuller, Miss Caroline W.....	10 00
Furness, Miss Laura.....	2 00
Furness, Miss Rebekah T.....	2 00

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Gale, Justin E.....	10 00
Gardiner, Mrs. Robert H.....	5 00
Gardner, George P.....	10 00
Gaston, Mrs. William A.....	10 00
Gibbs, Lyman.....	10 00
Gilmour, W. M.....	5 00
Ginn, Mrs. Edwin.....	10 00
Goddard, George A.....	25 00
Goff, Robert S.....	5 00
Goldthwait, Dr. Joel E.....	10 00
Goodale, Mrs. Alfred M.....	5 00
Goodwin, Miss Amy M.....	3 00
Gordon, Mrs. G. H.....	5 00
Gormley, James R.....	5 00
Goulding, Mrs. Louis R.....	2 00
Grandgent, Prof. C. H.....	2 00
Grant, Mrs. Roland D.....	5 00
Graves, James P.....	5 00
Gray, Miss Elizabeth.....	25 00
Gray, Miss Emily.....	5 00
Gray, Mrs. Frederick M.....	5 00
Gray, Miss Harriet.....	25 00
Gray, Mrs. Reginald.....	10 00
Gray, Roland.....	15 00
Gray, Russell.....	25 00
Greeley, Mrs. Rufus F.....	1 00
Green, Dr. Charles M., "in memory of Mrs. Charles M. Green".....	5 00

Greene, Levi R.....	\$1 00
Greenough, Malcom S.....	10 00
Grew, Edward W.....	20 00
Grew, Mrs. Henry S.....	75 00
Grew, Randolph C.....	10 00
Griffith-Stillings Press.....	15 00
Guild, Miss Charlotte H.....	5 00
Guild, Courtenay.....	5 00
Guild, Frederick.....	10 00
Guild, Miss Harriet J.....	5 00
Guild, Miss Sarah L.....	5 00
Gurney, F. P.....	2 00
Gurney, F. P. and E. D.....	2 00

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"H".....	2 00
Hale, Miss Dorothy Q.....	25 00
Hale, Edwin B.....	10 00
Hale, Harry P.....	1 00
Hale, Miss Mary Lee.....	16 25
Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew.....	25 00
Hale, Robert Sever.....	100 00
Hall, Mrs. John L.....	5 00
Hallowell, Jones & Donald.....	10 00
Hallowell, Mrs. N. P.....	5 00
Hallowell, Robert H.....	25 00
Hamlin, Mrs. B. N.....	5 00
Hamlin, Miss Elinor C.....	10 00
Hammond, Mrs. Gardiner G.....	20 00
Harding, Miss G. R.....	1 00
Hardy, Miss Susan W.....	2 50
Harlow, J. E.....	5 00
Harrington, Mrs. Francis B.....	5 00
Hartwell, Henry W.....	10 00
Harvey, J. Fred.....	2 00
Haseltine, Miss C. M.....	5 00
Haskins, Mrs. M. E.....	10 00
Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. F. H.....	5 00
Hatfield, Dr. and Mrs. Hugh K....	10 00
Haven, Mrs. Franklin.....	10 00
Hayward, Fred R.....	10 00
Heard, Mrs. John, Jr.....	5 00
Heath, Nathaniel.....	5 00
Hedge, Mrs. Henry R.....	5 00
Hemenway, Augustus.....	25 00
Hemenway, Mrs. Augustus.....	25 00
Hemenway, Mrs. C. P.....	10 00
Hemenway, Miss Clara.....	25 00
Henry, G. E.....	50 00
Hersey, Charles H.....	5 00
Hewins, The Misses.....	1 50
"H. F. G.".....	5 00
Higginson, Mrs. Francis L.....	10 00
Higginson, Mrs. Henry Lee.....	50 00
Hill, Miss Frances A.....	5 00
Hill, Mrs. L. C.....	2 00

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Hill, Mrs. William H.....	\$10 00
Hills, Edwin A.....	10 00
Hittinger, Jacob.....	20 00
Hobbs, The Misses.....	45 00
Hollander, L. P. & Co.....	10 00
Hollander, T. C.....	25 00
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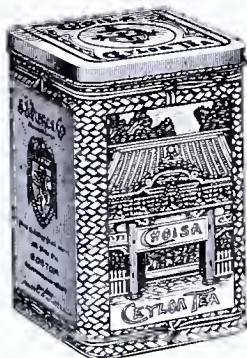
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